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SCHAUER ANNOUNCES \$38K IN JACKSON COUNTY GRANTS FOR TIRE CLEAN-UP

LANSING – State Senator Mark Schauer (D-Jackson and Calhoun Counties) announced today \$38,400 in state grants to fund the removal of used tires in Jackson County. Robert Trolz of Trolz Auto Parts in Grass Lake and the Department of Natural Resources in Waterloo will receive \$35,000 and \$3,400 respectively.

"These grants will help our communities dispose of old tires in a safe and legal manner," said Sen. Schauer. "It's an investment in both local businesses and our environment."

The grants are part of a \$3.9 million in funds being distributed around the state as part of Scrap Tire Cleanup Program. The program is expected to reduce the number of scrap tires by about 7.9 million.

"Tire piles present both fire and health hazards that are difficult to manage," said Schauer. "I'm pleased that DEQ is working with our communities to approach this in a preventive fashion."

Award recipients have until August 31, 2006 to complete contract requirements for having scrap tires removed. All tires must be removed and processed according to a DEQ-approved tire removal plan.

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Mark Schauer is the Senate Democratic Floor Leader. He represents the 19th Senate District, which includes all of Calhoun County and most of Jackson County.